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SPEAKER: Yes it is.

SENATOR CLARK: And you have four or five budget bills here.

SPEAKER: I understand a total of nine budget bills.

SENATOR CLARK: I would think if he would like to put his amendment on the 10th or something but....

SPEAKER: Might I make an observation that they must be completed by 5, 6 and 7, those budgets bills in order to have them cleared. So, Senator Duis, do you want to change the date?

SENATOR DUIS: Yes sir. I will change my amendment to the 12th of May.

SPEAKER: Anyone want to speak? If you want to speak, why don't you raise your hands on the Duis amendment to the Warner amendment. The Chair recognizes Senator Lewis.

SENATOR LEWIS: Mr. Chairman, I rise to oppose the amendment and also the regular one Senator Warner made. I think there is a move about as usual to take the last fifteen days and shove the most important bills through. I thought the budget bills were going to be on the floor a month ago. They're not, this is a rerun, we're going to have two days to spend 300 thousand dollars, plus all the other bills that we have before us. This bill needs to be disposed of so that we may react to the budget bills. I would think that we could address the issue and face the issue. We have spent most of the afternoon and into the evening trying to reach a decision on this. A delaying tactic at this point is unacceptable to me, and I think unacceptable to a number of people. This is what you are going to do with exception, with exceptance of the Duis amendment or the Warner amendment. You're going to do it by budgetary procedure. We're going to react to react to what dollars we're going to expand for community technical schools and then we're going to address ourselves as to how they are going to be operated. The logic of that escapes me, but that's not unusual. I think the issue is before us. Senator Warner has had this issue before him and his committee for as long as I can remember it. Long before I was ever here. That was in 69 they studies it, in 70 they looked at it, 67 they went as far back to look at it, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75. What new information is going to be available? What new approach is going to be available? The thing that we have to do is, lets address the issue now. Lets don't appropriate money and then come back and settle the issue. Obviously, they are those who would like to do that. That's not the way they want to do it. This is a part of the scheme again, to run, run, hurry, hurry, at the time when we should be doing our most serious deliberations. The serious bills are here. I oppose the Duis amendment and I oppose the Warner amendment.

SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes Senator Kelly.